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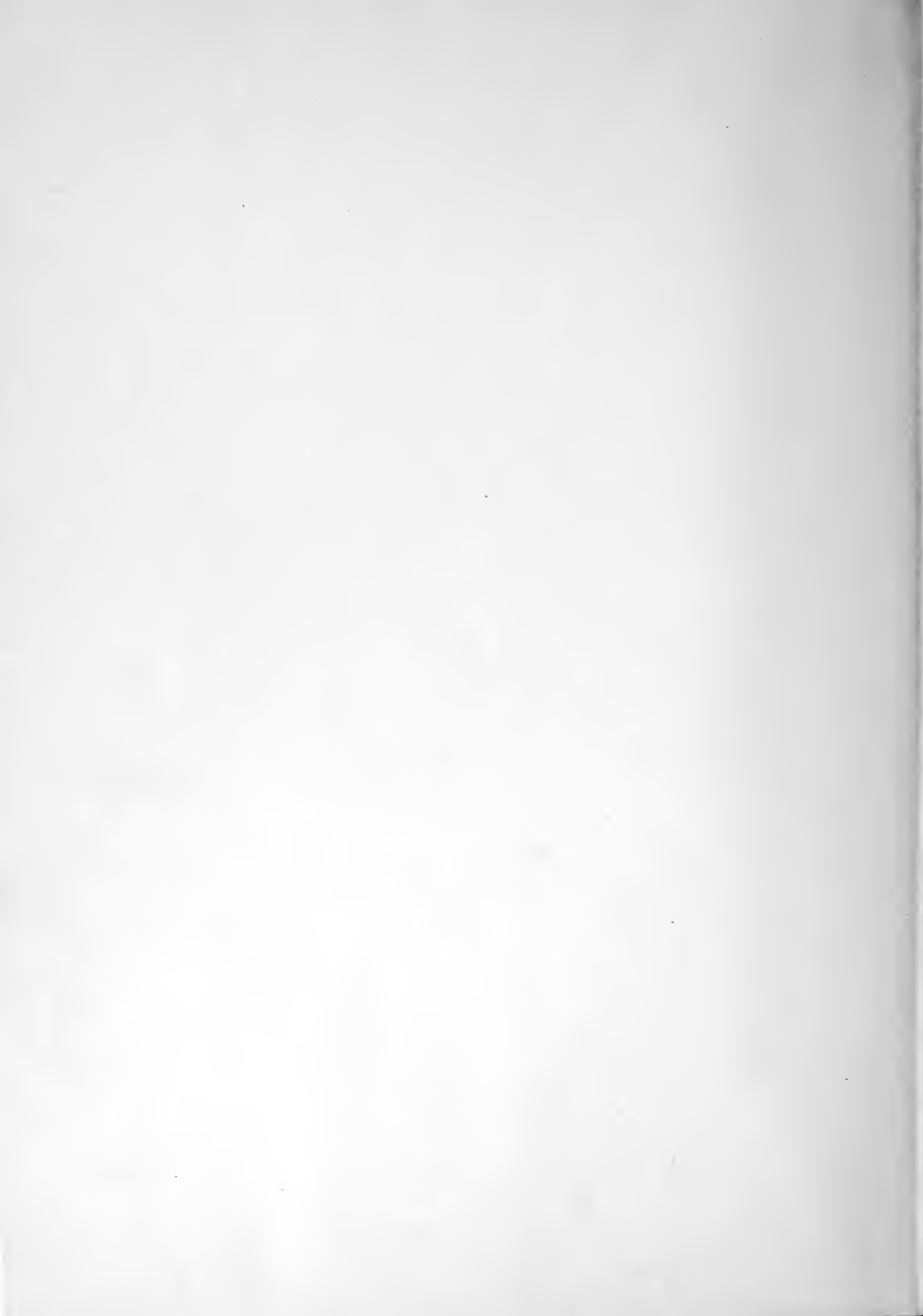


Joyous Easter Voices.









JOYOUS EASTER VOICES.

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BE glad! be glad! For Christ your Lord is risen

Ring out! ye bells in a silver chime.

Herald the joyous Easter-time.

Blend your notes in the song sublime

That swells from earth to Heaven

Sing out! sing out! Ye birds in the glad sunshine

Blithely carol your songs of praise.

In warblings sweet, or resonant lays,

Tell of your joy in a thousand ways.

And tell it in every clime.



AWAKE! awake! Ye flowers so sweet and shy,

Come from under your clustering leaves,

Show your fair faces among the wreaths

That worshiping Dove, as an offering wears,

To lay on the altars high.

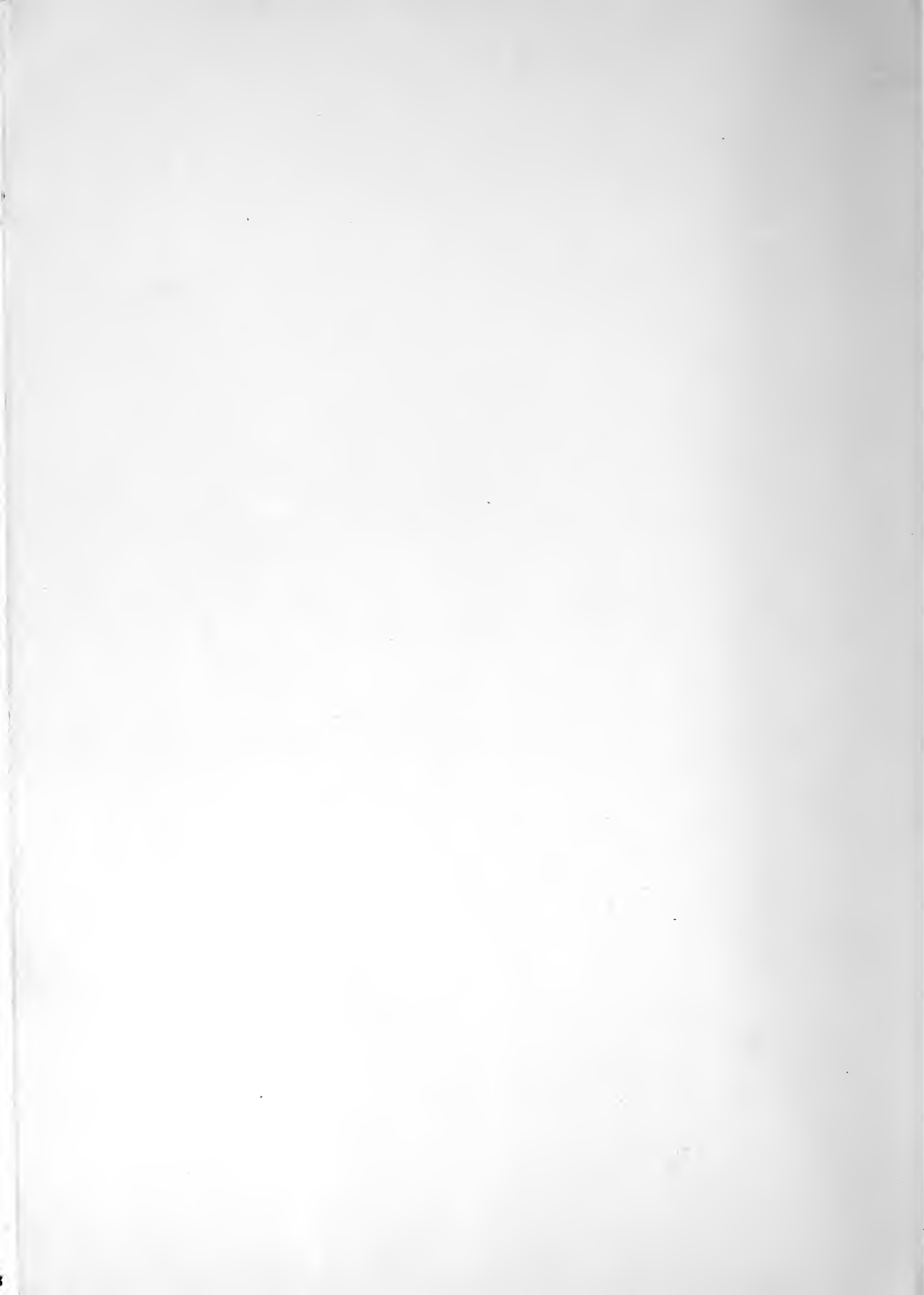
Rejoice! rejoice! Ye blossoming shrubs and trees.

Ye that garments so dainty wear,

That smile on the world so pure and fair,

Breathe your fragrance upon the air,

Laden the jovous breeze.



AND blow! and blow! Ye breezes soft and mild

Gather your sweets from flower and tree,

Bear them afar over land and sea,

Scatter them wide wherever ye be,

In garden or desert wild.

And flow! and flow! Ye brooks and waters far,

Carry the tidings far, and well.

Sing, as ye go over rock and dell:

To far-off strands your gladness tell.

That some may be gladdened there.

ON high! on high! Ye mountains, too, rejoice!

From gentle slope to highest crest,

Waft, and echo the tidings blest.

As each resounding—still the best—

Rises, a wondrous voice.

Arise! arise! all that have voice and sing

Sing for the Saviour risen to-day.

The beauty of earth, the heavenly way,

Let every heart in its gladness say

"Christ is our Lord and King"

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